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Patterson's Bill to Provide Local Control on Speed Limits Passed by Senate

LANSING – Legislation that would allow a country road commission, the township board, and the director of the Department of State Police to unanimously determine appropriate speed limits on county highways today was passed by the Michigan State Senate, Senator Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, announced.

“Senate Bill 123 will give townships a voice on speed limits in their neighborhoods,” Patterson said. “As the Senator of the 7th District, I sponsored this bill to provide my constituents with the ability to share their knowledge and experience about the roads on which they drive.”

SB 123 received unanimous, bipartisan support in the Senate Transportation Committee. The Michigan Township Association and the County Road Association of Michigan also support the bill. The Michigan Department of State Police has taken a neutral position on the bill.

Note: Audio comments from Senator Patterson on the passage of Senate Bill 123 from the Senate are available on the Michigan Senate Hotline at (517) 373-4000 or on the Senate Republican Audiowire, located at:
<http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/audiowire/>